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The Lesson of Patience and Faith

Mansoor: "Baba, why did some people fight during the sacred month? Isn't it supposed to be a time of peace?"

Baba: "That is an excellent question, my dear Mansoor. Let me tell you about a verse from the Qur'an, where Allah Subhanahu Wa Ta'ala explains this matter. Allah says in Surah Al-Baqarah, verse 217, that fighting during the sacred month is indeed a great sin. But some actions, like stopping people from following Allah's path or forcing them out of their homes, are even worse."

Mansoor: "But Baba, how can anything be worse than fighting?"

Baba: "Imagine if someone tried to stop you from praying or learning about Islam, and even forced you to leave your home just because you believed in Allah. That is called fitnah, and Allah tells us that fitnah is worse than fighting because it takes away a person's right to worship and live in peace."

Mansoor: "Oh, I think I understand, Baba. But what should we do if someone tries to stop us from following Islam?"

Baba: "That's a very brave question, Mansoor. Allah reminds us to always stay firm in our faith and never give up, even if it is hard. Those who give up their faith because they fear people more than Allah lose their good deeds in this world and the Hereafter. But those who stay patient and trust Allah will be rewarded with Jannah."

Mansoor: "So, even if people are mean to us or try to stop us, we should never leave our faith?"

Baba: "Exactly, my dear. Always remember, Allah is with those who stay patient and rely on Him. And when we face challenges, we should pray to Allah for strength and guidance. The Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him) taught us to say, 'O Allah, You are my strength and my support; I rely on You alone.' This makes our hearts strong."

Mansoor: "Thank you, Baba! I will always stay strong in my faith, no matter what happens."

Baba: "MashaAllah, my son. I am proud of you. And remember, whenever you have questions, you can always come to me, and we will look to the Qur'an and Sunnah for answers together."

The Mercy of Allah

Mansoor: "Baba, what does it mean to earn Allah's mercy? Does it mean we have to be perfect all the time?"

Baba: "That's a wonderful question, Mansoor. Let me share a verse from the Qur'an that answers your question beautifully. Allah says in Surah Al-Baqarah, verse 218: 'Indeed, those who have believed and those who have emigrated and fought in the cause of Allah - those expect the mercy of Allah. And Allah is Forgiving and Merciful.' Do you know what this means?"

Mansoor: "Hmm... It sounds like Allah gives His mercy to people who believe in Him and do good things. But what does 'fought in the cause of Allah' mean, Baba?"

Baba: "Good thinking, Mansoor. It means striving to do what is right, even when it is hard. It can be standing up for truth, helping others, or protecting people from harm. Sometimes, it also means making big sacrifices, like leaving your home for the sake of Allah, just like the Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him) and his companions did when they moved from Makkah to Madinah."

Mansoor: "Oh, I see! So they left their homes to stay true to Islam?"

Baba: "Exactly, my son. And Allah promises His mercy and forgiveness to those who believe in Him, strive to do good, and stay strong in their faith, no matter how tough life gets."

Mansoor: "But Baba, I sometimes make mistakes. Does that mean I won't get Allah's mercy?"

Baba: "Not at all, my dear. Allah is Al-Ghafoor and Ar-Raheem—the Most Forgiving and Most Merciful. If you make a mistake, you should ask for His forgiveness and try to do better. Allah loves those who repent and try to improve."

Mansoor: "That makes me feel better, Baba. I want to try harder to be good and help others."

Baba: "MashaAllah, that is a beautiful intention, Mansoor. Remember, it's not about being perfect but about always trying your best and trusting in Allah's mercy. And whenever you feel unsure or need guidance, you can pray to Allah or talk to me."

Mansoor: "Thank you, Baba. I'll always try my best and pray for Allah's mercy."

Baba: "I am so proud of you, my son. May Allah guide and protect you always."

The Sweet Lesson of Moderation

Baba and Mansoor are sitting together on a sunny afternoon after lunch. Mansoor, an inquisitive 7-year-old, is curious about the world around him.

Mansoor: Baba, why do you always say some things are not good for us even if they look fun?

Baba: That's a great question, beta. Let me tell you a story from the Qur'an that can help us understand. Allah Subhanahu Wa Ta'ala says in the Qur'an:

"They ask you about wine and gambling. Say, 'In them is great sin and [yet, some] benefit for people. But their sin is greater than their benefit.'" (Surah Al-Baqara: 219)

Mansoor: What does that mean, Baba?

Baba: Allah is teaching us that some things in life may have small benefits but can cause much bigger harm. Let me give you an example. Imagine you're walking home and see a delicious cake left outside, but you know it's not yours. What should you do?

Mansoor: Hmm... I shouldn't eat it, right? Because it's not mine?

Baba: Exactly! Even though the cake looks tasty, taking something that doesn't belong to you can hurt someone else and upset Allah. That harm is much greater than the little joy of eating the cake.

Mansoor: Oh, so it's like wine and gambling? They might seem good, but they're not really good for us?

Baba: That's right. Wine can make people lose control of their thoughts, leading to mistakes or even harm to others. Gambling makes people greedy and can destroy friendships and families.

Mansoor: But why do people still do those things if they're bad?

Baba: Sometimes people only see the small benefits and ignore the bigger harm. That's why Allah sent us guidance through the Qur'an—to help us make the right choices.

Mansoor: Baba, my friend Ali spends all his money on a game where he has to win prizes. Is that bad too?

Baba: Spending a little on games is okay if it's for fun and not harmful. But if Ali is using all his money and forgetting more important things, like saving or helping others, that's not right. Allah loves it when we spend wisely and share with those in need.

Mansoor: What should I do, Baba? I want to help him!

Baba: You can gently remind Ali that spending wisely is a good habit. Maybe share what you've learned today. Allah says to spend the extra we have after taking care of our needs: "Say, 'The excess [beyond needs].'"

The next day, Mansoor talks to Ali during school.

Mansoor: Ali, do you know what my Baba told me? He said we should save some of our money to help others or use it for something useful.

Ali: Really? I never thought of it like that. Maybe I'll save some for a gift for my mom.

When Mansoor tells Baba about his conversation, Baba smiles and hugs him.

Baba: I'm proud of you, beta. You taught your friend something valuable, and that pleases Allah.

From that day, Mansoor and Ali both started saving a small amount from their pocket money. They even donated to their school charity drive, feeling happy to follow the guidance of Allah.

Baba: Always remember, beta, the best choices are those that help us and others, just as Allah teaches in the Qur'an.

Mansoor: I'll always try, Baba!

Baba: Mashallah, my boy.

The Orphan's Smile

Baba and Mansoor are walking home from the mosque after Dhuhr prayer. Mansoor notices a boy sitting alone near the playground, looking sad.

Mansoor: Baba, why does that boy look so lonely?

Baba: That's Ahmed, beta. His parents passed away, and now he lives with his uncle.

Mansoor: That's so sad, Baba. I wish I could do something to help him.

Baba: Mashallah, beta, it's good to feel for others. Allah Subhanahu Wa Ta'ala says in the Qur'an:

"And they ask you about orphans. Say, 'Improvement for them is best. And if you mix your affairs with theirs, they are your brothers. And Allah knows the corrupter from the amender.'" (Surah Al-Baqara: 220)

Mansoor: What does that mean, Baba?

Baba: Allah is teaching us that orphans are like our own brothers and sisters. If we care for them, share with them, and treat them well, we are doing something that pleases Allah.

Mansoor: So, should we help Ahmed, Baba?

Baba: Yes, beta. Helping orphans is one of the best deeds in Islam. The Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him) said, "I and the one who takes care of an orphan will be in Paradise like this," and he held up his two fingers together.

Mansoor: Baba, can we invite Ahmed to play with us tomorrow?

Baba: That's a beautiful idea, beta. You can also share your toys or a snack with him. Even small kindnesses can make a big difference.

The next day, Mansoor brings some of his favorite toys to the playground and invites Ahmed to join him. At first, Ahmed is shy, but Mansoor talks to him kindly and shares his toys.

Ahmed: Thank you, Mansoor. You're really nice.

Mansoor: You're welcome, Ahmed! My Baba says we should help each other like brothers.

When they return home, Mansoor excitedly tells Baba about his day.

Mansoor: Baba, Ahmed was so happy! He even smiled and said he'd come back tomorrow.

Baba: Mashallah, beta. You've done something very special. Remember, Allah knows who helps others with a pure heart. By making Ahmed smile, you've earned blessings from Allah.

From that day on, Mansoor and Ahmed became good friends. Mansoor always made sure Ahmed felt included, sharing his time and toys with him.

Baba: Always remember, beta, the best way to please Allah is by helping those who need it most. Treat everyone with kindness, especially orphans, because they are dear to Allah.

Mansoor: I'll always try, Baba!

Baba: That's my boy.

The Lesson of Choosing Good Companions

Baba and Mansoor are sitting in their garden after Asr prayer. Mansoor has just returned from playing with his friends and looks concerned.

Mansoor: Baba, today one of my friends said something that made me feel uncomfortable. He said it's okay to lie if it helps him win at games.

Baba: Hmm, that's troubling, beta. Friends have a big influence on us, and their actions can affect how we think and behave. Let me share with you a verse from the Qur'an. Allah Subhanahu Wa Ta'ala says:

"And do not marry polytheistic women until they believe. And a believing slave woman is better than a polytheist, even though she might please you. And do not marry polytheistic men [to your women] until they believe. And a believing slave is better than a polytheist, even though he might please you." (Surah Al-Baqara: 221)

Mansoor: But, Baba, what does this have to do with my friends?

Baba: Not necessarily, beta. If you can encourage them to do better, that's wonderful. But if they refuse to change and start influencing you negatively, it's better to distance yourself. Allah wants us to choose companions who bring us closer to Him, not ones who lead us away.

The next day, Mansoor sees his friend again at the playground.

Mansoor: You know, lying might help you win now, but it's not a good habit. My Baba says we should always speak the truth because Allah loves honesty.

Friend: Hmm, I didn't think about it that way. Maybe you're right.

Later that evening, Mansoor shares the conversation with Baba.

Mansoor: Baba, I tried to remind my friend about being honest. He said he'd think about it.

Baba: Mashallah, beta. That's exactly what Allah wants us to do—guide others with kindness. Remember, we should always invite people toward goodness, but it's up to them to decide.

Mansoor: I understand now, Baba. I'll try my best to be a good friend and choose friends who help me be better too.

Baba: That's the spirit, beta. Surround yourself with those who remind you of Allah, and you'll always find blessings in your life.

A Lesson on Cleanliness and Respect

Mansoor and his Baba are in the living room. Mansoor is helping his younger sister with her schoolwork when he notices that she seems tired and a bit upset.

Mansoor: Baba, is Aisha okay? She seems different today.

Baba: She's fine, beta. She's just on her menstrual cycle, which is something that happens to girls and women at a certain age. It's a natural part of life that Allah Subhanahu Wa Ta'ala has created for them.

Mansoor: What is a menstrual cycle, Baba?

Baba: That's a good question, beta. It's when a woman's body goes through a process that helps prepare her for the possibility of having children in the future. During this time, she may feel tired or uncomfortable, and there are some specific Islamic guidelines we follow during this period.

Mansoor: What kind of guidelines, Baba?

Baba: Allah Subhanahu Wa Ta'ala says in the Qur'an: "And they ask you about menstruation. Say, 'It is harm, so keep away from wives during menstruation. And do not approach them until they are pure. And when they have purified themselves, then come to them from where Allah has ordained for you. Indeed, Allah loves those who are constantly repentant and loves those who purify themselves.'" (Surah Al-Baqara: 222)

This means that while women are on their menstrual cycle, we give them space and extra care because they may not feel their best. It also teaches us the importance of cleanliness and purification in our daily lives.

Mansoor: So, is there something I can do to help Aisha?

Baba: Yes, beta. You can be kind and understanding. If she needs help, offer it without her asking. Little acts of kindness, like bringing her water or helping with her chores, can make her feel supported.

Mansoor: I'll try my best, Baba. But why does Allah want us to be so mindful about cleanliness?

Baba: Because Allah loves those who keep themselves clean, both physically and spiritually. Cleanliness is half of faith, and it's a way to show gratitude for the body and blessings Allah has given us.

Later, Mansoor notices that Aisha is struggling to carry her schoolbag.

Mansoor: Aisha, let me carry that for you. You can rest.

Aisha: Thank you, Mansoor. That's very kind of you.

When they return home, Mansoor tells Baba about what he did.

Mansoor: Baba, I helped Aisha with her bag. Was that the right thing to do?

Baba: Mashallah, beta. That was wonderful. Always remember, being kind and respectful to others, especially women, is a sign of good character and faith.

Mansoor: I'll always try to help, Baba.

Baba: That's my boy. Remember, in helping others and maintaining cleanliness, we earn Allah's love and blessings.

A Lesson on Responsibility and Kindness

Mansoor and his Baba are in the garden planting seeds. Baba uses this opportunity to teach Mansoor an important Islamic value.

Mansoor: Baba, why do we plant seeds in rows like this? Can't we just throw them anywhere?

Baba: That's a good question, beta. Planting seeds carefully ensures they grow into strong, healthy plants. It reminds me of an ayah from the Qur'an where Allah Subhanahu Wa Ta'ala says:

"Your wives are a place of sowing of seed for you, so come to your place of cultivation however you wish and put forth [righteousness] for yourselves. And fear Allah and know that you will meet Him. And give good tidings to the believers." (Surah Al-Baqara: 223)

Mansoor: What does that mean, Baba?

Baba: Allah is teaching us that, just like farmers take care of their fields to get the best harvest, we must treat our families with care, kindness, and responsibility. Every good action we do for our family is like planting a seed for our future in the Hereafter.

Mansoor: So, being kind to my family is like planting good seeds?

Baba: Exactly, beta. For example, when you help your mother or play nicely with your sister, you are planting seeds of goodness. Allah rewards us for our kindness and love toward our family.

Mansoor pauses and looks at the rows of seeds they've planted.

Mansoor: Baba, what happens if we don't water the seeds?

Baba: If we don't water the seeds or care for them, they won't grow. It's the same with our relationships. If we don't show love, respect, and patience, our relationships can wither away, just like neglected plants.

Mansoor: I understand, Baba. I'll try to take care of my family just like we're taking care of these seeds.

Baba: That's wonderful, beta. And remember, Allah has given us these responsibilities to prepare us for the Day we meet Him. Every act of kindness and every bit of effort counts.

Later that evening, Mansoor helps his sister Aisha clean up after dinner without being asked.

Aisha: Thank you, Mansoor! You're so helpful today.

Mansoor: Baba says helping each other is like planting good seeds for Jannah.

When Baba hears about this, he smiles.

Baba: Mashallah, Mansoor. You've learned an important lesson today. Keep planting those seeds of goodness, and Allah will reward you abundantly.

A Lesson on Keeping Promises and Doing Good

Mansoor and his Baba are sitting together after dinner. Mansoor has just told his Baba about a disagreement with his best friend, Zaid.

Mansoor: Baba, today Zaid and I had an argument. He said something mean, and I told him I would never talk to him again. I even said, "I swear by Allah!" But now I feel bad.

Baba: Hmm, beta, it's good that you feel bad. This shows your heart is soft and open to understanding. Let me share an ayah from the Qur'an that talks about this. Allah says:

"And do not make [your oath by] Allah an excuse against being righteous and fearing Allah and making peace among people. And Allah is Hearing and Knowing."
(Surah Al-Baqara: 224)

Mansoor: What does that mean, Baba?

Baba: It means we should never use Allah's name to stop ourselves from doing good, staying mindful of Him, or making peace. Even if you said, "I swear by Allah," you can still make things right. Allah loves when we act kindly and fix our mistakes.

Mansoor: So, does that mean it's okay to break my promise?

Baba: If your promise prevents you from doing good, like making peace with Zaid, then yes, it's better to break it. But you should also ask Allah for forgiveness and say sorry to Zaid.

Mansoor: But what if Zaid doesn't want to forgive me?

Baba: Making peace isn't always easy, beta. Sometimes, it takes courage and patience. But remember, Allah sees your efforts, and that's what matters most. Let's think of a way to apologize to Zaid.

Mansoor: Maybe I can give him one of my toy cars? He loves cars.

Baba: That's a great idea! A thoughtful gesture like that can show him how sorry you are.

The next day, Mansoor goes to Zaid's house with a small toy car and an apology.

Mansoor: Zaid, I'm really sorry for what I said yesterday. Here, I brought you this car. Can we be friends again?

Zaid smiles and accepts the toy.

Zaid: I'm sorry too, Mansoor. Let's play together!

Later that evening

Mansoor: Baba, Zaid forgave me! We played together all afternoon.

Baba: Mashallah, beta. You did the right thing. Remember, making peace and doing good always brings blessings. And Allah loves those who try to mend relationships.

A Lesson About Promises

Mansoor accidentally promises his friend to help with a school project but later realizes he has a prior commitment to attend the mosque with Baba.

Mansoor: Baba, I feel terrible. I promised my friend Ali I would help him with his project tomorrow, but I forgot we planned to go to the mosque for the special lecture. What should I do?

Baba: Mansoor, I'm glad you shared this with me. Do you remember what Allah says about oaths in the Qur'an?

Mansoor: Hmm... not really, Baba. Could you remind me?

Baba: Of course. Allah says in Surah Al-Baqara, "Allah does not impose blame upon you for what is unintentional in your oaths, but He imposes blame upon you for what your hearts have earned. And Allah is Forgiving and Forbearing" (2:225).

Mansoor: So, does that mean I can just tell Ali I didn't mean to promise?

Baba: Not exactly, my dear. This verse reminds us that Allah doesn't hold us accountable for things we say without thinking, but when we make promises with intention, we should strive to fulfill them. It's a matter of integrity and trustworthiness.

Mansoor: But Baba, I can't be in two places at once. What should I do?

Baba: Here's where you show wisdom and responsibility. First, explain the situation to Ali. Apologize sincerely for the mistake and see if you can reschedule helping him. At the same time, keep your commitment to the mosque, as learning about Allah and fulfilling religious obligations are very important.

Mansoor: That makes sense. I should have thought about my schedule before promising Ali. I'll talk to him right away.

Baba: That's a good boy. Remember, being truthful and making amends is what Allah loves. He is forgiving and understanding when we correct our mistakes with sincerity.

Mansoor calls Ali, apologizes, and they agree to work on the project another day. Feeling relieved, he joins Baba for the mosque lecture, learning even more about keeping promises and seeking Allah's forgiveness.

Mansoor: Baba, thank you for guiding me. I'll always think carefully before making promises from now on.

Baba: You're welcome, beta. Always strive to do your best, and Allah will help you in every situation.

Understanding Patience and Forgiveness

Mansoor notices his parents having a disagreement and feels confused about how to approach the situation.

Mansoor: Baba, I noticed you and Ammi seemed upset with each other earlier. Is everything okay?

Baba: Yes, beta, sometimes even close relationships face challenges. What matters is how we handle them with patience and love.

Mansoor: But Baba, what happens when people get too upset?

Baba: Mansoor, this is where Islam teaches us to be mindful of our actions and words. Allah mentions in the Qur'an about those who take an oath to distance themselves from their wives. Allah allows a waiting period of four months for reconciliation. If they choose to resolve their differences, Allah is Forgiving and Merciful.

Mansoor: What does that mean, Baba?

Baba: It means Allah encourages patience and gives people time to reflect and reconcile. When they return to each other with kindness, Allah rewards them with His mercy and forgiveness.

Mansoor: So, even when people are upset, they should try to make peace?

Baba: Absolutely, beta. Holding onto anger for too long can harm relationships. Forgiveness and understanding help us grow closer to each other and to Allah.

Mansoor: Baba, does that mean you and Ammi will always make peace if you argue?

Baba: InshaAllah, yes. We both strive to follow Allah's guidance, and disagreements are a chance to practice patience and forgiveness.

Mansoor decides to do something kind to help his parents reconcile. He draws a picture of their family together, adding a message that says, "Allah loves those who forgive and care for each other."

When Mansoor gives them the drawing, Javed and his wife share a smile. It softens their hearts, reminding them of their bond and the importance of resolving their disagreement.

Javed talks to his wife, and they apologize to each other. They thank Mansoor for his thoughtful gesture, appreciating the lesson he reminded them of.

Mansoor feels happy seeing his parents reconcile.

Mansoor: Baba, I'm glad you and Ammi made up. It makes me feel safe and happy.

Baba: Thank you, beta. Remember, even when things get hard, patience, forgiveness, and Allah's guidance can always lead us back to peace.